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## Viewing cable 05BUCHAREST835, ROMANIA: CORRUPTION IN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM REMAINS AN ISSUE FOR NEW ROMANIAN GOVERNMENT

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SUBJECT: ROMANIA: CORRUPTION IN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM REMAINS AN ISSUE FOR NEW ROMANIAN GOVERNMENT

REF: A. A) BUCHAREST 1611 B. B) BUCHAREST 0964 C. C) BUCHAREST 0611 D. D) BUCHAREST 0164

Classified By: ECONOMIC SECTION CHIEF JOHN RODGERS FOR REASONS 1.4 B AN DD

Summary

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[1](#)1. (SBU) One of the key challenges facing Romania,s new Health Minister Mircea Cinteza is a state-run health system plagued by corruption. Tw  
Health Care System,s Inherited Deficiencies

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[1](#)2. (U) Despite limited health reform efforts since 1989, the Romanian health care system remains plagued by a number of problems partly inheri  
A Legacy of Inaction

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[1](#)3. (U) The former Social Democratic Party (PSD) government, though not the leadership of the Ministry of Health, acknowledged the existence of  
The Two Faces of Corruption

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[1](#)4. (C) Corruption in the Romanian healthcare system has two variants: high-level corruption perpetrated by those controlling the system and lc  
Transparency Commission and High Level Corruption -----

[1](#)5. (C) In order to come into compliance with an EU directive, the MOH established the Transparency Commission (now named the Committee for Pha

[1](#)6. (C) Although removed from his position as Transparency Commission President, Voicu to this day retains his post as Chairman of the National  
Former Ministry of Health Officials Under Investigation -----

[1](#)7. (U) Prosecutors of the National Anti-corruption Prosecutor,s Office (PNA) in March called in former Health Minister Ovidiu Branzan, cabinet  
Low Level Corruption: Show Me the Money

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[1](#)8. (SBU) There is an understanding between patients and their doctors and nurses, that those who do not pay personal &gratituties8 to their dc  
Poor Public Health Care Drives Patients to Private Clinics -----

[1](#)9. (U) With official funds earmarked for public hospitals being misdirected or misspent, and unofficial funds to doctors sometimes not resulti  
Comment

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[1](#)10. (C) The previous government was unwilling to tackle the healthcare corruption issue in any serious way. Although it was alleged that even

[1](#)11. (U) AmEmbassy Bucharest,s reporting telegrams are available on the Bucharest SIPRNet website: [www.state.sgov.gov/p/eur/bucharest](http://www.state.sgov.gov/p/eur/bucharest)

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